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1. DURING COURSE OF DISCUSSION ON CAMBODIAN-VIETNAMESE CONFLICT JAN 25, MFA OFFICIAL EXPRESSED GREAT INTEREST IN MILITARY SUPPORT THE PRC MIGHT BE EXTENDING DEMOCRATIC CAMBODIA. HE ASKED SPECIFICALLY FOR ANY INFORMATION THE USG MIGHT PROVIDE THE RTG ON THE FOLLOWING: (A) NUMBER OF PRC SHIPS ARRIVING RECENTLY AT KOMPONG SOM; (B) EVIDENCE AS TO WHETHER

THE PRC IS DELIVERING MILITARY EQUIPMENT TO CAMBODIA; (C) ARE THERE ANY CHINESE CARGO FLIGHTS MAKING DELIVERIES TO CAMBODIA? (D) IS THERE EVIDENCE OF ANY UNUSUAL MILITARY ACTIVITIES BY THE CHINESE NEAR THE PRC-SRV BORDER?

2. THAIS GREATLY APPRECIATED INFORMATION PROVIDED ON FORMER MINISTER OF INFORMATION HU NIM'S ACTIVITIES AND ON PRC SECRET

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SHIPPING TO CAMBODIA (REF B). MFA OFFICIAL SPECIFICALLY RECALLED THIS INFORMATION DURING CONVERSATION JAN 25. INASMUCH AS THAIS ARE SERIOUSLY CONCERNED ABOUT IMPLICATIONS OF DEVELOPMENTS BETWEEN CAMBODIA AND VIET-NAM, EMBASSY WOULD LIKE TO PROVIDE MFA ANY INFORMATION WHICH CAN BE RELEASED TO THE RTG ON A CLASSIFIED BASIS. WHITEHOUSE

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